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Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Official Action of July 2, 2004,

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Please charge the extension fee of \$110 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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